



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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COUNTY OFFICES WILL CLOSE DURING HOLIDAYS Essential Services Will Not Be Affected

All County of San Diego offices will be closed Friday, Dec. 24 and Friday, Dec. 31, for the Christmas and New Year holidays.

Normal business hours for most county offices will resume Monday, Dec. 27, after Christmas, and Monday, Jan. 3, after New Year's Day.

Essential services, including the Sheriff's Department, will remain in operation during the holidays.

But the Sheriff's patrol stations will be closed to the public on Friday, Dec. 24, and Dec. 25-26. They will also be closed Friday, Dec. 31, and Jan. 1-2.

Meanwhile, Department of Public Works crews will be on call during the holidays for any emergencies that may arise.

Other County departments will have different hours during the holidays:

Libraries -- Will close at 6 p.m. Dec. 23 and Dec. 30, and will be closed Dec. 25 and Dec. 26, and Jan. 1 and 2.

Animal shelters -- Will be closed Dec. 24 and Dec. 25 and Dec. 31. Patrol services will be available on an emergency basis. **(Editor's Note: See separate release for more details.)**

General Services and Housing and Community Development -- Closed Dec. 27 -30.

Registrar of Voters -- Closed Dec. 30.

Parks and Recreation -- Day-use parks will be closed Dec. 25, while local and camping parks will be open throughout the holiday. The Lakeside and Spring Valley teen centers will be closed through Jan. 2.

Property Disposal division of the Department of Purchasing and Contracting -- Closed Dec. 27-30.

Members of the public are urged to call departments before visiting them.

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